

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** square dancing evolved from the various national and folk dances brought to America by the first settlers and the immigrants that followed; and

**WHEREAS,** square dancing has provided recreational opportunities for Americans while contributing to social interaction between people of differing backgrounds; and

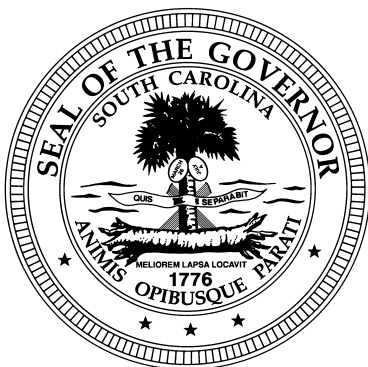
**WHEREAS,** composed of basic moves called and performed in varied combinations, square dancing promotes physical activity, friendship, and goodwill among participants and spectators; and

**WHEREAS,** square dancing continues to appeal to people of all ages, walks of life, and backgrounds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim September 2004 as

### SQUARE DANCE MONTH

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to celebrate this truly American recreational folk dance and the positive effect it has on our quality of life.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Sanford".

**MARK SANFORD**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**